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Remarks Filed in Connection with a Request for Continued Examination

The present response completes a Request for Continued Examination. The RCE was filed on August 13, 2009 along with a suspension of this application under 37 CFR 1.103 for a period of three (3) months. Applicant hereby requests continuation of prosecution.

Claims 1, 3-8, and 18-25 stand rejected as obvious in view of patents issued to Bohannon, Jr. (US 6,855,650), Lancaster (US 5,849,645), and Martin (US 5,972,463) patents. No claims have been added. No additional claims have been cancelled

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Cases relied upon by applicant are attached as Exhibits 1 and 2.